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SUBJECT: CCD-PNE EXPERTS' MEETING, JULY 14

SUMMARY: CCD MET INFORMALLY WITH PNE EXPERTS MORNING
AND AFTERNOON OF JULY 14. JAPANESE EXPERT IMAI
PRESENTED LENGTHY DISCUSSION BASED UPON HIS PAPER. VAN
DERKLAUW GAVE STATEMENT PRAISING US EXPERT PARTICIPATION
AND WORKING PAPER, REGRETTING LACK OF SOVIETS EXPERTS, AND
POSING SERIES OF QUESTIONS PRIMARILY FOR NWS EXPERTS,
SOME OF WHICH ASKED FOR MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT
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VERIFICATION PROVISIONS FOR PNE'S UNDER TTBT OR CTB

THAN IN US WORKING PAPER. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED
JULY 15. END SUMMARY.

1. CCD HELD FIRST INFORMAL MEETINGS WITH PNE EXPERTS
JULY 14. EXPERTS FROM US, JAPAN, SWEDEN, ITALY, FRG
AND YUGOSLAVIA PLUS REGULAR CCD DELS WERE IN
ATTENDANCE. CASTANEDA (MEXICO) CHAIRED AND BEGAN
MORNING SESSION BY NOTING IMPORTANCE OF SUBJECT AND
RECALLING BACKGROUND OF MEETING. NISIBORI (JAPAN)
INTRODUCED JAPANESE EXPERT IMAI WHO APOLOGIZED FOR
LACK OF PREPARED STATEMENT AND THEN SPOKE FOR NEARLY AN
HOUR. HE BASICALLY REVIEWED HIS WORKING PAPER
(BEING POUCHED) BUT APPEARED TO MOVE TOWARD US ON
SEVERAL POINTS ON WHICH US HAD COMMENTED PRIVATELY
EARLIER (STATE 160778). ONLY QUESTION POSED BY IMAI
ASKED WHETHER IT IS POSSIBLE TO DRAW LINE BETWEEN PEACE-
FUL AND MILITARY USEFULNESS OF PNE'S HE ADMITTED SUCH
A LINE WOULD SOMEWHAT ARBITRARY, BUT SUGGESTED
THRESHOLDS BASED ON YIELD, PHYSICAL SIZE OR NATURE OF
APPLICATION MIGHT BE ESTABLISHED.

2. IMAI SAID PNE'S REQUIRE INTERNATIONAL CONTROL AND
PROPOSED THAT ALL PNE'S BE REGISTERED IN ADVANCE AS TO
PURPOSE, YIELD, GEOMETRY, DESCIRPTION OF "GROUND", PRO-
CEDURES AND ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES TO BE USED, AND EXPECTED
RESULS. AFTER EVENT, INFORMATION ACTUALLY OBTAINED
WOULD BE PROVIDED. REGISTRATION WOULD PROVIDD BASIS
ON WHICH TO CARRY OUT ON-SITE INSPECTION OF PNE'S
IMAI CONCLUDED PRESENTATION BY SAYING THAT, EVN IF
ALL THESE CONDITIONS WERE MET, HE WAS NOT SAYING PRO-
LIFERATION OF PNE'S ALL OVER WORLD WOULD BE WELCOME.

3. VAN DER KLAUW (NETHERLANDS) THEN PRESENTED
STATEMENT (BEING POUCHED). HE PRAISED U.S. PAPER AND
EXPRESSED REGRETS THAT NO EXPERTS WERE PRESENT FROM
NWS WITH MOST EXPERIENCE IN PNE'S. HE NOTED VAGUENESS
IN U.S. PAPER ON QUESTION OF PNE'S IN CONTEXT OF
WEAPONS TEST CONSTRAINTS, INCLUDING A CTB, AND SAID
A MEANINGFUL REPORT TO UNGA WILL REQUIRE MORE INFOR-
MATION ON THIS SUBJECT. HE TENTATIVELY SUGGESTED INFORMATION
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EXCHANGES, BAN ON USE OF CERTAIN ANALYSIS EQUIP-
MENT AND COLLECTION OF CHEMICAL SAMPLES BY INSPECTORS.

4. FOLLOWING QUESTIONS WERE POSED IN COURSE OF VAN
DER KLAUW'S REMARKS:

(1) IT IS POSSIBLE TO DO LARGE-SCALE PNE
EXCAVATIONS WITHOUT BREAKING LTBT?

(2) IS IT POSSIBLE, IN CARRYING OUT EXCAVATION PNE'S, TO ACQUIRE WEAPONS-RELATED INFORMATION NOT OTHERWISE AVAILABLE UNDER LTBT?

(3) BECAUSE OF GREATER UNCERTAINTY IN TELESEISMIC YIELD FOR PNE'S (COMPARED WITH WEAPONS TESTS), IT APPEARS NECESSARY TO RESTRICT PNE'S TO LOWER YIELDS OR TO RELY ON ON-SITE VERIFICATION OF YIELD. IS THIS ANALYSIS CORRECT?

(4) IS IT POSSIBLE TO DESIGN A VERIFICATION SYSTEM SUCH THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WOULD BE ASSURED THAT NO WEAPONS-RELATED TESTING TAKES PLACE WHEN A PNE IS EXPLODED WITH YIELD ABOVE THAT SET FOR WEAPONS TESTS?

(5) HOW COULD A VERIFICATION SYSTEM BE SET UP SO AS TO BE SURE THAT NO WEAPONS ARE TESTED UNDER DISGUISE OF PNE'S?

(6) COULD ONLY NWS VERIFY THE PNE ACTIVITIES OF OTHER NWS? WHAT COULD BE THE ROLE FOR INSPECTORS FROM NNWS?

5. IN AFTERNOON SESSION, MARTIN (U.S.) INTRODUCED U.S. EXPERTS AND ACKNOWLEDGED STATEMENTS MADE AND QUESTIONS POSED IN MORNING SESSION. U.S. EXPERT SHEA THEN SUMMARIZED U.S. WORKING PAPER. HE ALSO POSED SEVERAL QUESTIONS ON JAPANESE PAPER AND IMAI RESPONDED. MISHRA (INDIA) CHALLENGED IMPLICATION IN JAPANESE PAPER THAT PNE'S MAY NOT NOW BE PERMITTED FOR STATES NOT PARTIES TO NPT AND ASKED WHETHER ANY INTERNATIONAL LAW PROHIBITED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SUCH STATES FROM CARRYING OUT PNE'S. IMAI ADMITTED NO FORMAL PROHIBITION EXISTS BUT DEFENDED FORMULATION IN HIS PAPER. CCD PLENARY AND INFORMAL EXPERTS' SESSIONS SCHEDULED FOR JULY 15. ABRAMS

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